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1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED QUESTION RAISED REFTEL WITH IRISH DEPARTMENT
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIALS DEALING WITH GSP AND LDC TRADE MATTERS.

2. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCES, IRISH GOVERNMENT IMPLEMENTS ALL
PROVISIONS OF THE SCHEME OF COMMONWEALTH PREFERENCES, IT CONTINUES
TO GRANT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH
PREFERENCE SCHEME, PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO FORMER COMMONWEALTH
MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA. UNDER THE TREATY
OF ACCESSION TO THE EC, THESE PREFERENCES MUST BE TERMINATED BY
1977.

3. WITH REFERENCE TO THE UNITED KINGDOM, IRELAND OBSERVES PROV-
ISONS OF ANGLO-IRISH FREE TRADE AGREEMENT, UNDER WHICH ALL
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INDUSTRIAL TARIFFS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ARE TO BE ELIMINATED
BY MID-1976. THIS AGREEMENT, AS IN THE CASE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

PREFERENCE SCHEME, WILL BE SUPERSEDED AS IRELAND BECOMES FULLY
INTEGRATED INTO THE COMMONWEALTH.

4. WE ASSUME DEPARTMENT HAS FULL TEXT OF BOTH ANGLO-IRISH FREE
TRADE AGREEMENT AND COMMONWEALTH PREFERENCE SCHEME.
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